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The purpose of this letter is to show my support for the passing of House Bill 5435 of 2005.

This will allow Detention staff the use of an electro-muscular disruption device to individuals employed in a city jail or lockup who has custody of persons detained or incarcerated in the jail or lockup.

I encourage passing this House Bill to allow my detention staff the authority to use this type of device. This is a needed tool to limit the potential for injury to both detention staff and detainees by allowing for the quick control of a detainee.

My agency exceeds the Local Lockup Advisory Board Guidelines for training, the detention staff will receive specific training regarding the use of the device, and I will authorize them in writing to use it.

Again, I strongly encourage you to pass House Bill 5435 of 2005 to give my detention staff the tools they need to safely perform their duties.

Thank you for consideration in this matter.

Respectfully Submitted.

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